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## Cheap Farming Lands

—ON THE—

### BOARD OF AID ESTATE

—ON THE—

## CUMBERLAND PLATEAU.

#### COMPARATIVE ELEVATION.

Cincinnati	550 feet above sea level.
Chattanooga	685 "
Rugby	1410 "

#### HEALTH AND CLIMATE.

All health seekers, whether from Northern or Southern States, should try the climate of the Plateau. The recent United States Census shows it to be almost the only district one of the Rocky Mountains entirely free from malarial, pulmonary and intestinal diseases. The Plateau has a double climate, one resulting from latitude and the other from elevation. The air is pure and invigorating. The water is free from lime and sparkling. Mineral springs are numerous. The mean summer temperature is 72 deg. Fahr., and in winter 37 deg. Fahr. The nights are always cool and refreshing.

#### MINERALS.

The whole of the Cumberland Plateau is underlain by coal. The upper measures only have as yet been worked. These outcrop on the eastern portion of the Board's estate and are being successfully worked at several points along the C. & S. R. R. The lower measures have been opened by test workings only, and show a five foot vein which extends under the whole tract at a depth of about 400 feet. The district is also underlain by the oil bearing sands and limestones of the lower carboniferous system. And these beds on their western outcrop show unmistakable evidences of petroleum. At Rugby there is an excellent deposit of potter's clay. Samples have been tested with very satisfactory results.

#### TIMBER.

The whole country is heavily timbered. The principal varieties are Pines—white, yellow and black; Oaks—white, black, chestnut, red, spotted and post; Hickory, Maple, Chestnut and Dogwood. The Board of Aid Estate's saw mill affords opportunities for rapidly converting this timber into marketable lumber.

#### SOIL.

The soil is sandy loam upon a mullato clay subsoil. It is light, friable, holds moisture, is easily cultivated and responds readily and generously to the least fertilizer.

#### CROPS AND GRASSES.

Corn, wheat, rye, oats, and barley all grow well, though this is not claimed as a grain growing soil. Tobacco is a profitable and also is sorghum. Hard grass, orchard grass, German and pearl millet, timothy and red clover have all been tried, and take hold and root well. Kentucky blue grass also thrives wherever introduced. The natural pasture is abundant.

#### VEGETABLES.

Grow abundantly. Cabbage, onions, beans, sweet and Irish potatoes all make a fine return. The Irish potatoes are unexcelled by any grown in America. Sweet potatoes and onions yield 500 bushels per acre.

#### FRUIT AND GRAPE CULTURE.

This region is especially adapted to fruit, and particularly to the winter apple and the grape. The apple here has never been known to fail. The trees are healthy, and the fruit smooth, plump, juicy and firm, rarely ever speaking or rotting. The grape vines all the conditions requisite to the highest success. The vines are vigorous, robust, free from mildew and rot. The best wine varieties have succeeded admirably, and the wines made from them are excellent in quality and in good demand. These two fruits are destined to become the great staple products of the Plateau, and will undoubtedly yield larger returns than any other crops now cultivated. Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, currants, cherries, plums, and nearly all the small fruits thrive and bear prolifically.

#### STOCK AND SHEEP RAISING.

The excellent natural pastures, good drainage, abundance of running water and freeedom from flies make these occupations eminently suitable and remunerative. Stop feeding stock for eight months in the year. Come South, where you can buy cheap lands, work out-door all the winter, and turn your stock into the woods most of the year.

#### EDUCATION.

Rugby has an excellent primary public school. It occupies the ground floor of the Church building, and is in every respect perfect. It is open all the year and gives a free education to a school for boys, which will be affiliated to the University of the South and afford a preparatory collegiate education, in course of organization. The free school system of the State provides a school term of five months, in every district.

#### TITLES.

The titles are among the oldest and best in Tennessee, and have been thoroughly investigated and perfected.

#### LAND.

The Board of Aid Estate centrally situated on this plateau, consists of 35,000 acres of grazing, farming, fruit raising and vine growing lands.

It skirts Ten Miles of Frontage on the Cincinnati Southern Railroad, with Four Depots Located on It.

The lands enumerated below are being offered in tracts suitable to all purchasers, at low figures and with deferred payments.

Board lands on the C. & S. R. R., west of Glen Mary Station. About 3,000 acres of very desirable land fronting on the C. & S. R. R. is here laid out in 100 acre farms. No farm is more than three miles from either Sunbright or Glen Mary Depots; to the latter are adjacent the Crooke Coal Mines, employing 200 men and with an output of twelve car loads per day. Glen Mary has 200 inhabitants, three stores, telegraph and post office, and is well supplied with all the conveniences of a small town. It is a beautiful and healthy place, and is well watered and timbered. The town is situated on a high bluff, and is well watered and timbered. The town is situated on a high bluff, and is well watered and timbered. The town is situated on a high bluff, and is well watered and timbered.

Also several fine tracts of land fronting and lying on the east side of the C. & S. R. R., and half a mile south of Glen Mary. Board lands on the C. & S. R. R., west of Sunbright. These lands lie directly south of the above and are close to the thriving town of Sunbright, with 200 inhabitants, two hotels, a fine market, shipping and especially lumbering facilities.

#### RUGBY.

Founded in 1880 has many social advantages, viz. Two Good Hotels, Fine Church and School Building, Public Library with 4,000 volumes, Masonic Lodge, Drug Store, Large Confectionery, and two other General Stores, Dairy, Livestock Stable, Weekly Newspaper, Post Office with two mails per day and telephone connection with Rugby Road, its depot on the C. & S. R. R., which is a telegraphic station with good dining accommodations. The town is beautifully laid out and picturesquely situated between the gorges of Clear Fork River and White Oak Creek. The streets are clean and dry, and invalids will find no difficulty in taking exercise even in the worst winter weather. They are bordered by, for the most part, fine residences. Several bowered wells strike mineral waters containing sulphur and iron constituents, which are highly esteemed. Choice building lots are now being offered at very reasonable prices, also small tracts on the town site suitable for vineyards. The site of Rugby Road is laid out in town lots and the Board is prepared to offer liberal inducements to persons settling there for manufacturing or business purposes.

The Board's Rugby lands comprise several tracts lying west of Rugby, in Morgan and Fentress Counties, as well as all their territory between Rugby and Rugby Road and Robin's Depots on the C. & S. R. R. These lands are traversed by the Rugby Pike, a graded road, seven miles long and pronounced the best dirt road in Tennessee, and are, on account of the superior communication, as accessible to the railroad as the less remote lands of the Board. They are situated on the direct and, in winter, only line of traffic from the C. & S. R. R. to Jamestown, Livingston, Collins and Byrdstown, respectively the county-seats of Fentress, Overton, Clay and Pickett Counties. The Board has arrangements with the C. & S. R. R. by which they can furnish settlers with reduced rate certificates from Cincinnati and Chattanooga to Rugby Road, on application to the undersigned. Maps and plans can be seen at the Board's Office on Central Avenue. Interested settlers will be most liberally dealt with, and any information cheerfully given by

ROBERT WALTON,

Rugby, Morgan Co., Tenn.

#### A PROCLAMATION.

The President Warns Office-Holders Not to Participate in Conventions or Primaries.

"Office-Holders are the Agents of the People, Not Their Masters."

WASHINGTON, July 14.—The President has issued the following proclamation: EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, July 14, 1886. To the Heads of Departments in the Service of the Government.

I deem this a proper time to especially warn all subordinates in the several departments and all office-holders under the General Government against the use of their official positions in attempts to control political movements in their localities.

Office-holders are the agents of the people—not their masters. Not only is their time and labor due to the Government, but they should scrupulously avoid in their political action, as well as in the discharge of their official duty, offending by a display of obtrusive partisanship, their neighbors who have relations with them as public officials, and should also constantly remember their party friends, from whom they have received preferment, have not invested them with the power of arbitrarily managing their political affairs. They have no right, as office-holders, to dictate the political action of their party associates or to interfere with their freedom of action within party lines by methods and practices which pervert every useful and justifiable purpose of party organization. The influence of Federal office-holders should not be felt in the manipulation of political primary meetings and nominating conventions. The use by these officials of their positions to compass their election as delegates to political conventions is indecent and unfair, and proper regard for the properties and requirements of official place will also prevent their assuming the active conduct of political campaigns.

Individual interest and activity in political affairs are by no means condemned. Office-holders are neither disfranchised nor forbidden the exercise of political privileges, but their privileges are not enlarged, nor is their duty increased to pernicious activity by office-holding. A just discrimination in this regard between the things a citizen may properly do and the purposes for which a public official should not be used, is easy in the light of a correct appreciation of the relation between the people and those entrusted with official power, and a consideration of the necessity under our form of government of political action free from official coercion. You are requested to communicate the substance of these views to those for whose guidance they are intended.

JOSEPH CLEVELAND.

#### A GREAT FLOOD.

In North Carolina, With Much Damage to Crops Reported.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 14.—Heavy and continuous rains throughout the State have caused the greatest flood since 1867. Farmers on the Cape Fear river have lost all their crops, and many have been forced to leave their homes on account of the flood. Many turpentine distilleries are under water, and stores and dwellings are deserted. All the lowland crops in the State are injured, and only in a few sections the crops are saved. The damage in many sections is well nigh total, and in others from one-quarter to one-half.

#### Unwelcome Guests Coming.

LONDON, July 14.—A hundred Greek gypsies reached London about a week ago and squatted on a lot of land in the vicinity of Millwall. They refused to lodge in houses, and lived by begging, and terrorized over the people in scattered tenements. They started for New York to-day in the National Line steamer Italy. Their departure has caused much relief to the citizens of Millwall. A vast crowd witnessed their embarkation.

#### Foreign Labor Test Case.

AUSTIN, TEX., July 14.—U. S. District Attorney Kieberg has brought suit in the Federal Court against the Capitol Syndicate for \$1,000 for an alleged violation of the foreign labor act. This suit grows out of the importation of Scotch granite cutters by the syndicate, and is regarded as a test case. If it is sustained, it will probably be instituted against the syndicate.

#### Results of the Election.

LONDON, July 14.—The total votes polled up to the present time are: Unionists, 1,308,623; Gladstonians, 1,320,645. At midnight the totals are: Conservatives and Unionists, 386; Gladstonians, 332. The Conservatives and Unionists now estimate the vote as follows: Conservatives, 323; Liberal Unionists, 73; Gladstonians, 188; Parnellites, 85.

#### Waiting for a Corpse to Revive.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS., July 14.—The body of Alden Hathaway, of Freetown, who was reported to have died on the 7th inst., and whose funeral services were held on the 10th, is stated to have been warm and flushed on Sunday, and the interment of the remains has been postponed until dissolution is unmistakable.

#### An Ex-Sheriff Lynched.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., July 14.—Ex-Sheriff John Reupke, of Sumpter County, Ala., was taken from jail at Livingston by a mob last night and hanged for the attempted murder of his brother-in-law.

#### The Cashier is Gone.

ST. LOUIS, July 14.—The Provident Savings Bank closed its doors to-day and has made an assignment. Almond B. Thompson, the cashier, has absconded. The liabilities exceed the assets by \$40,000.

#### Maxwell-Sentenced to Death.

ST. LOUIS, July 14.—Hugh M. Brooks, alias W. H. Lennox Maxwell, convicted of murdering Charles Arthur Preller, was sentenced this morning to be hanged August 27, 1886.

#### Killed by an Officer.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 14.—Chas. Giff, a colored porter, was caught robbing a store to-night. He resisted the officer who was taking him to the lock-up, and was shot dead.

#### Starved into Submission.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., July 14.—The convicts at Coal City have surrendered and have agreed to go to work. The trouble is believed to be over.

#### Wheat Destroyed by Fire.

MERCER, CAL., July 14.—Twelve thousand tons of wheat and five wheat-laden cars at Hoffman's Warehouse burned to-day. Loss, \$350,000.

#### ANOTHER BROKEN BANK.

A Nebraska President Steals One Hundred Thousand, It is Alleged, and Goes to Canada.

CHICAGO, July 15.—A special from Omaha says: "The Dandy County Bank, of Benkleman, Neb., failed yesterday. Belzer, the president, skipped to Canada, and took with him about \$100,000 in funds and securities. Business men and farmers feel the loss greatly, as many have lost the last dollar they had on earth. Several homesteaders had their little all in the bank, and were to prove up to-day. Many will have to abandon their claims. The greatest excitement prevails. Belzer had transferred all his available property to his wife before leaving. Many Eastern banks and firms lose heavily."

#### Electric Hand Lamp.

NEW YORK, July 14.—An exhibition of an electric hand lamp, brought from Paris by President Purroy, of the Fire Department, took place to-day in Firemen's Hall. The lamp is about the size of an ordinary small lantern, weighs about five pounds, gives a light equal to about seven-candle power, and will burn for two hours. The lamp is so constructed that when it rests on the ground the battery is not in contact with the lamp, but when it is raised by the handle the light flashes out brightly. It is claimed that the lamp will burn two hours without a change in the battery. Mr. Purroy thinks that the lamp can be improved by an arrangement to keep it lighted when it rests on the ground. Chief Shay will carry it about to fires for a while and give it a practical test, and if it works well other lamps will be purchased.

#### A Disappointed Bride.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., July 15.—A week ago Miss Ida Clark, a comely and estimable young lady, renounced Christianity, and at the Synagogue, in the presence of a large assemblage, embraced the faith of Moses and Aaron. This she did in order that she might marry a Hebrew named Holland. The wedding was set for to-night, but the bride-to-be was doomed to disappointment. Holland to-day sent her word that he had changed his mind and that the engagement was off. No explanation could be obtained from him, and nothing could alter his determination.

#### Greek Gypsies Refused Passage.

LIVERPOOL, July 15.—The National Steamship Company declined to accept as passengers second party gypsies who were en route to the railway depot. They are in such a filthy condition that the railway officials have been compelled to make a lavish use of disinfectants. A magistrate was applied to for an order for their removal, but he decided that he had no power to act, because the depot was private property.

#### An Innocent Man's Fate.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., July 15.—About two years ago the residence of Mrs. McLaughlin was entered, and Mrs. McLaughlin and her sister were shocked out with a knife. A man named Fred. Holter was arrested, and while he was confined in jail at Winchester, a party of masked men entered the jail and shot him dead. It is now stated that the divorced husband of Mrs. McLaughlin, dying a few days ago, confessed that he was the assailant of the woman.

#### A Hog Cholera Epidemic.

CHICAGO, July 15.—A special from Hillsboro, Ill., says: "A violent form of the hog cholera is raging in some localities in this county, many farmers having lost all their swine. The loss in one township will reach \$10,000. Various remedies have been tried, but they have so far failed to check the progress of the malady."

#### Atlanta Prohibition Fight.

ATLANTA, GA., July 15.—The injunction case of Al Bronck vs. The City of Atlanta, seeking to prevent the interference of police authorities with the sale of whisky, wine and beer by the quart by plaintiff, was tried yesterday before Judge Clarke, of the Superior Court. He refused to grant an injunction, and the city will now proceed to prosecute Bronck for violating the prohibition law.

#### Revolution Threatened in Mexico.

LAREDO, TEX., July 15.—The situation at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, is growing more serious, and it is feared that a revolution can not be averted. Government troops are on the way from Mexico, but the revolutionists have secured a large number of Winchester rifles and may seize the Custom House before the troops arrive.

#### Peru Tired of the Silver Standard.

LIMA, July 15.—In consequence of the depreciation and fluctuations of the silver currency in circulation in this Republic, it has been proposed to use the American gold dollar as the basis of all monetary transactions, either fiscal or private, using the silver dollar at a value of 80 cents, gold for all fractions under a quarter of an eagle.

#### Made Insane by Bible Reading.

DECATUR, ILL., July 14.—John Ritchie, who became demented by religious excitement, has been adjudged insane by the county court. He first began studying the Bible six weeks ago, and became fascinated with its contents to such an extent that he neglected his occupation and lost his mental balance.

#### Ex radition.

LONDON, July 15.—In spite of denials, it is positively asserted that the draft of the extradition treaty between Great Britain and the United States has been signed by Lord Rosebery and Minister Phelps, and is now in Washington. The prospect of a really effective extradition treaty causes intense gratification here.

#### Trying the Chicago Anarchists.

CHICAGO, July 15.—The jury to try the eight anarchists charged with the Haymarket massacre was finally impeded to-day, and the State's Attorney began his address.

#### Poles Acquitted of Murder.

DETROIT, MICH., July 15.—An acquittal was to-day found in the cases of Basil and Alexander Lenko and August Steber, accused of killing John Leviak during the riot attendant at the outbreak in Stalbert's Polish Catholic congregation last winter, when Rev. D. Kalasinski was deposed.

#### Texas People Asking for Aid.

WEATHERFORD, TEX., July 15.—A telegram was sent to Congressman Lanham at Washington, yesterday, asking him to secure Government aid for the people of the drought-stricken regions of Texas. Hundreds of families are without the necessities of life.

#### ACCIDENT TO A CIRCUS.

Forepaugh's Train Goes Over an Embankment.

Killing Twenty-five Valuable Horses—Two Attaches Killed and Several Wounded.

PORTLAND, ME., July 16.—Information is received here of a fatal accident to Forepaugh's circus train on the Maine Central Railroad at Vassalboro, some fifty miles north of here. The storm having interfered with the wires, particulars are meager. The train, consisting of some twenty cars, was en route for this city, and was running at a lively rate of speed when the cars jumped the track, due to a defective rail, and plunged down the fifty-foot embankment toward the Kennebec river. Three of the cars contained animals, and there was a passenger caboose containing a number of employees. The cars rolled over and over several times, and were smashed into splinters. Twenty-five valuable trick horses were killed outright and a number of others badly injured. A number of which will have to be killed. The caboose was occupied by ten men, several of whom escaped by jumping when the car left the track, being set on fire by the soft earth. The others were carried down the bank and were caught in the wreck. Their companions extricated several badly if not fatally injured. Two men whose names are not given are believed to have been killed instantly. A wrecking train has left for the scene.

#### BURNING FOR REVENGE.

A Young Lady Charged With Firing a House While Angered at a Young Man's Marriage.

LAKE BENTON, MINN., July 16.—Last night the houses of W. W. Townsend and his son, L. A. Townsend, were burned. To-day Miss Ida Childs was arrested, charged with having fired the buildings. Miss Childs had been living with the family for years past, and she claims to have been married to young Townsend three years ago, his father, who was a justice performing the ceremony. The marriage has been kept a secret on account of her holding a claim. Young Townsend was married to Miss Jennie Johnson last Saturday, and the Townsends claim that Miss Childs burned the property for revenge. The barn and granary were also set on fire, but were saved. The examination before Justice McArthur is set for Saturday when startling disclosures are expected.

#### Socialists Giving Trouble.

LONDON, July 16.—A revival of the Socialist troubles in London is threatened. The police have summoned a number of prominent Socialists to answer at trial on Saturday for obstructing the streets last Sunday, and have given warning that future officers will be promptly arrested. The Socialist League issued an address last night which is an inflammatory appeal to the workers, urging them to maintain firm speech against the tyranny of the police at all hazards.

#### Poisoned by the Dozens.

CHARLESTON, ILL., July 16.—Seventy-five leading ladies held a picnic yesterday. The refreshments served were ice cream, lemon-meringue and watermelon. In the evening almost every one was taken violently ill, with symptoms of poisoning. Medical skill was put to work, and no fatal consequences are apprehended. There are no means of ascertaining where the hidden poison was, but it is believed to have been in the lemon-meringue. Some of the sherbet has been preserved for examination. No blame is attached to any one.

#### Riddled With Bullets.

GARDEN CITY, KAN., July 16.—One of the murderers of Davis, the man found floating in Arkansas river, with a bullet-hole in his head, was riddled with bullets by pursuing party at Frisco, about sixty miles southwest of Garden City, this morning. He had concealed himself in a livery-stable of that town, and was armed with a gun. The posse surrounded the stable and commanded the murderer to surrender. He commenced firing, and was instantly killed by a volley of bullets.

#### Terrible Accident in a Shaft.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Five men in an iron bucket, being lowered by windlass to their work down one of the shafts of the mine, were killed by the explosion of the gasoline lamp carried by one of them, and, frantic with pain, they all leaped from the bucket and fell to the foot of the shaft, one hundred feet below, receiving terrible injuries, besides their burns.

#### Voice from the Grave to Save a Brother.

BOSTON, July 16.—In the trial of Timothy Coffey for manslaughter, in causing the death of John Cullen, the defense to-day introduced a remarkable autograph confession of John Coffey, the deceased brother of the defendant, avowing that the writer had killed Cullen, and that Timothy was wholly innocent. John says that he used his knife in self defense.

#### A Murderer Swung Off.

WOODSTOCK, ILL., July 16.—Jas. Dacey, the murderer of Alderman Michael Gaynor, of Chicago, was hanged here at 12:35 to-day. He made no speech and was moderately composed, though during the morning he screamed almost continuously, and had his limbs bound to prevent his making an assault on any of his attendants.

#### Smallpox.

CHICAGO, July 16.—Fourteen cases of smallpox at Bolan, Ill. The disease was brought there by a German emigrant. There has been one death.

#### A New Enemy to the Potato.

CHICAGO, July 16.—A special from Freeport, Ill., says: Farmers state that the potatoes are being destroyed by a big black bug that is even more dangerous and destructive than the common striped bug, and that it is about a quarter of an inch long, and has done considerable damage.

#### Alleged Embezzling Postmaster.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 16.—E. N. Wyatt, who for nine months has been postmaster at Austin, Cass County, Mo., was held to await the action of the grand jury to-day by United States Commissioner Packins on a charge of embezzling \$435. Bail in the sum of \$1,000 was given.

#### TOOK A TUMBLE.

A Building Half a Century Old Gives Way, Burying Several Men Beneath the Ruins.

NEW YORK, July 18.—Shortly after 9 o'clock this evening the three-story building, No. 176 Tenth street, occupied as a flour store by Sweesey & Sons, suddenly caved in, causing great excitement in the neighborhood, it being feared that several persons had perished in the ruins. The police of the Fourth Precinct, assisted by a number of citizens, succeeded in extracting from the debris Richard Pugh, aged forty-five; Wm. Evans, aged thirty-two; and Mathias Sansabas, twenty-three. All were severely bruised about the head and body, and were removed to the Chambers Street Hospital. The accident is supposed to have been caused by the overloading of the upper floors of the building with flour. The building was erected fifty years ago.

#### After Thirty-Two Years.

FOX CREEK, ME., July 18.—A romance in real life culminated in Bingham the past week. Thirty-two years ago Abram O. Savage, a young man, became engaged to Miss Flavia Chaborn. Savage went to Nevada, neglected writing to his affianced, and was thinking him lost to her, subsequently married Wm. Bassett. Their wedded life ran smoothly for a time, but at length he went to California. Unpleasant rumors of his conduct reached his wife, and investigation proving their truth, a separation and division of property were agreed upon. Mrs. Bassett returned to Bingham, and a friend of Savage wrote the latter, incidentally mentioning the misfortune of his old love. Savage, who had become a millionaire, at once started East, saw Mrs. Bassett, renewed his offer of marriage, and after thirty-two years of waiting the early engagement was at once terminated by a quiet wedding.

#### Trouble in a Post-Office.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., July 18.—Two letter-carriers and three clerks in the Springfield postoffice, walked out yesterday without giving Postmaster Clendennin any notice. The reason for this abrupt action was a refusal on the part of Mr. Clendennin to promise to retain them in their position for a period of six weeks, and allow them two weeks' vacation, which they are entitled to. Their places were promptly filled with Democrats. The superintendent of carriers, whose successor was appointed a few days ago, but whose salary was to run to August 1, refused to discharge his successor, and he was discharged.

#### Tea for Europe via America.

OMAHA, July 18.—The first train of eighty car-loads of tea bound from Japan to Europe, passed through Omaha Friday, having made better than passenger time on the run from San Francisco to this city. A contest is taking place to determine whether tea can be shipped from China and Japan to Europe quicker by the American overland route than by the Suez Canal.

#### Imprisoned for Another's Crime.

COLUMBUS, O., July 18.—A few years ago Alfred Peel, of Franklin County, O., was sent to the penitentiary for the murder of Kate Grimes, a paramour. During his confinement George Lee, a girl whom he had deserted, drowned herself. He has since been ascertained that George Lee confessed the murder, and having testified against Peel to screen herself, Peel has been liberated.

#### Offered to Marry Victoria.

LONDON, July 18.—James Junior recently wrote an offer of marriage to Queen Victoria. He commenced his letter, "My beloved Victoria," and signed it, "Your loving husband." He sent the epistle to Windsor Castle, and called there to obtain the Queen's answer. He was taken to a lunatic asylum, examined and found mentally wanting, and was yesterday sent to a lunatic asylum.

#### Excursionists in the Water.

NEW YORK, July 18.—Twenty-five excursionists were thrown into the water from a gang plank in making a landing at Rockaway Beach. They were all rescued. The bravery of a man named John O'Toole is commendable. He rescued no less than seven persons, mostly women and children.

#### Another Banker Short \$68,000.

PEORIA, ILL., July 18.—Harlan P. Tracy, the Elmwood banker who recently made an assignment, was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging him with embezzlement. The warrant was sworn out by some of the creditors of the bank, who have had an expert going over the books, and claim to have discovered a shortage of \$68,000.

#### Fatal Boiler Explosion.

WELLFALL, O., July 18.—A boiler in the boiler shop of Joseph Fassett exploded, wrecking the building and instantly killing Clara Driscoll, aged five years, and fatally injuring her sister Mary, aged three, who were playing in the yard adjoining the boiler-house.

#### Murdered With Dynamite.

WHEELING, W. VA., July 18.—At an early hour this morning Benz Ramago, a merchant at the Union Coal Works, eleven miles down the river on the Ohio side, was killed and his store blown to atoms by dynamite deposited beneath it by Henry Campbell, a former partner of Ramago, was arrested on suspicion.

#### The Cholera in Italy.

ROME, July 18.—The following are to-day's returns from the cholera-infected districts: Brindisi, 7 new cases, 3 deaths; Fontana, 16 new cases, 3 deaths; Lato, 8 new cases, 5 deaths. A few new cases but no deaths are reported from other places.

#### Against Prohibition.

VICKSBURG, MISS., July 18.—The election passed off quietly yesterday. The vote in the city shows about 1,300 majority against prohibition, and in the country, including this city, a majority of about 3,000 against.

#### Killed With a Brick.

CINCINNATI, July 18.—Henry Brendemer, jr., killed his father with a brick. Brendemer, sr., was drunk and assaulting his wife in Covington, Ky.